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## ENGROSSED SENATE BILL No. 344

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DIGEST OF SB 344 (Updated February 20, 2002 2:27 PM - DI 107)

**Citations Affected:** IC 2-5.

**Synopsis:** Commission on Hispanic and Latino affairs. Establishes the executive commission on Hispanic and Latino affairs.

**Effective:** July 1, 2002.

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**Wyss, Alexa, Hershman, Johnson,  
Long, Meeks C, Riegsecker, Mrvan,  
Adams K, Lanane, Ford, Server,  
Skillman, Miller, Zakas, Simpson,  
Breaux, Clark**

(HOUSE SPONSORS — AGUILERA, BORROR)

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January 8, 2002, read first time and referred to Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedure.

January 15, 2002, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.

January 22, 2002, read second time, ordered engrossed.

January 23, 2002, engrossed.

January 28, 2002, read third time, passed. Yeas 47, nays 0.

HOUSE ACTION

February 5, 2002, read first time and referred to Committee on Human Affairs.

February 21, 2002, amended, reported — Do Pass.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2001 General Assembly.

## ENGROSSED SENATE BILL No. 344

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning the general assembly.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1       SECTION 1. IC 2-5-27 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS  
2 A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
3 1, 2002]:

4       **Chapter 27. Executive Commission on Hispanic/Latino Affairs**

5       **Sec. 1. The executive commission on Hispanic/Latino affairs is**  
6 **established.**

7       **Sec. 2. (a) The commission shall do the following:**

8           **(1) Identify and research issues affecting the Hispanic/Latino**  
9 **communities.**

10          **(2) Promote cooperation and understanding between the**  
11 **Hispanic/Latino communities and other communities**  
12 **throughout Indiana.**

13          **(3) Report to the legislative council and the governor**  
14 **concerning Hispanic/Latino issues, including the following:**

15           **(A) Conditions causing exclusion of Hispanics/Latinos**  
16 **from the larger Indiana community.**

17           **(B) Measures to stimulate job skill training and related**

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workforce development.

(C) Measures to sustain cultural diversity while improving race and ethnic relations.

(D) Public awareness of issues affecting the Hispanic/Latino communities.

(E) Measures that could facilitate easier access to state and local government services by Hispanics/Latinos.

(F) Challenges and opportunities arising out of the growing Hispanic/Latino population.

(b) The commission may study other topics as assigned by the legislative council or the governor.

(c) The commission may make legislative recommendations to the general assembly.

**Sec. 3. (a) The commission consists of thirteen (13) members appointed as follows:**

(1) Two (2) members of the senate, not more than one (1) of whom may be affiliated with the same political party, to be appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate.

(2) Two (2) members of the house of representatives, not more than two (2) of whom may be affiliated with the same political party, to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

(3) Two (2) members of the Hispanic/Latino community who are not members of the general assembly, to be appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate.

(4) Two (2) members of the Hispanic/Latino community who are not members of the general assembly, to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

(5) Five (5) members of the Hispanic/Latino community, to be appointed by the governor.

In making their appointments under this section, the president pro tempore of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the governor shall attempt to have the greatest number of counties represented on the commission.

(b) The governor shall appoint a member of the commission to serve as chairperson.

(c) If a legislative member of the commission ceases being a member of the chamber from which the member was appointed, the member also ceases to be a member of the commission.

(d) A member of the commission may be removed at any time by the appointing authority who appointed the member.

(e) If a vacancy exists on the commission, the appointing



1 authority who appointed the former member whose position has  
2 become vacant shall appoint an individual to fill the vacancy.

3 (f) Each member of the commission who is a member of the  
4 general assembly is a nonvoting member.

5 (g) The affirmative votes of a majority of the voting members  
6 appointed to the commission are required for the commission to  
7 take action on any measure, including final reports.

8 Sec. 4. (a) The department of workforce development shall  
9 provide staff support to the commission.

10 (b) The expenses of the commission shall be paid from  
11 appropriations made to the department of workforce development.

12 Sec. 5. (a) Each member of the commission who is not a state  
13 employee is entitled to the minimum salary per diem provided by  
14 IC 4-10-11-2.1(b). The member is also entitled to reimbursement  
15 for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other  
16 expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties  
17 as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the  
18 Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget  
19 agency.

20 (b) Each member of the commission who is a state employee but  
21 who is not a member of the general assembly is entitled to  
22 reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under  
23 IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection  
24 with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and  
25 procedures established by the Indiana department of  
26 administration and approved by the budget agency.

27 (c) Each member of the commission who is a member of the  
28 general assembly is entitled to receive the same per diem, mileage,  
29 and travel allowances paid to legislative members of interim study  
30 committees established by the legislative council. Per diem,  
31 mileage, and travel allowances paid under this subsection shall be  
32 paid from appropriations made to the legislative council or the  
33 legislative services agency.

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SENATE MOTION

Mr. President: I move that Senators Hershman and Johnson be added as coauthors of Senate Bill 344.

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SENATE MOTION

Mr. President: I move that Senators Long, Meeks C, Riegsecker, Mrvan, Adams K, Lanane, Ford, Server and Skillman be added as coauthors of Senate Bill 344.

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Mr. President: I move that Senator Miller be added as coauthor of Senate Bill 344.

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SENATE MOTION

Mr. President: I move that Senators Zakas and Simpson be added as coauthors of Senate Bill 344.

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## COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. President: The Senate Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedure, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 344, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 2, line 17, delete "Four (4) members of the senate, not more than two (2)" and insert "**Two (2) members of the senate, not more than one (1)**".

Page 2, line 20, delete "Four (4)" and insert "**Two (2)**".

Page 2, line 21, delete "two (2)" and insert "**one (1)**".

Page 2, line 24, delete "Four (4)" and insert "**Six (6)**".

Page 2, line 27, delete "Four (4)" and insert "**Six (6)**".

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 344 as introduced.)

GARTON, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0.

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SENATE MOTION

Mr. President: I move that Senators Breaux and Clark be added as coauthors of Engrossed Senate Bill 344.

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## COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Human Affairs, to which was referred Senate Bill 344, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

(SEE TEXT OF BILL)

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 344 as printed January 16, 2002.)

SUMMERS, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 8, nays 0.

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